

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Currently Amended)** A part for casting, into which a molten metal is poured, comprising base paper for paper tubing and containing an organic fiber, a carbon fiber for reducing thermal shrinkage, and binder, the base paper being spiral-wound into a tube such that the base paper is wound with an overlap between adjacent turns and a plurality of base papers are wound one on top of another, the total content of carbon fiber being 7 to 80 parts by weight of the base paper, and the total weight of the organic fiber, the carbon fiber, and the binder being taken as 100 parts weight; wherein the binder comprises an organic binder.

2. **(Canceled)**

3. **(Currently Amended)** The part for casting according to claim 1, comprising 10 to 70 parts by weight of the organic fiber, 7 to 80 parts by weight of the carbon fiber, and at least 10 to 85 parts by weight of the binder, the total weight of the organic fiber, the carbon fiber, and the binder being taken as 100 parts by weight.

4. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the binder comprises at least two binders having different melting points.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the binder consists of an organic binder ~~and/or~~ and an inorganic binder.

6. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 5, wherein the inorganic binder is a compound mainly comprising SiO₂.

7. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the organic fiber is paper fiber.

8. **(Currently Amended)** A method for casting production ~~which uses the part for easting according to claim 1, the part for easting being disposed in easting sand~~ comprising burying the part for casting according to claim 1 in casting sand.

9. **(Currently Amended)** A process of producing a part for casting, ~~which is for producing the part for easting~~ according to claim 1, comprising the steps of making base paper for paper tubing by papermaking using a slurry containing at least the organic fiber and the carbon fiber, converting the base paper into a spiral-wound paper tube by winding the base paper in a helix pattern such that the base paper is wound with an overlap between adjacent turns and a plurality of base papers are wound one on top of another, and incorporating the binder into the paper tube.

10. **(Currently Amended)** The process of producing a part for casting according to claim 9, wherein ~~the binder is an organic binder, and~~ the step of incorporating the binder into the paper tube is impregnation.

11. **(Currently Amended)** The process of producing a part for casting according to claim 10, wherein the slurry further contains ~~[[the]]~~ an inorganic binder.